

# Pipeline Crossings FAQ – TQM

## **1. Why do I have to consult TQM for any development plans within its right-of-way, even on my own land?**

Under the contractual terms of an easement or lease, the landowner retains full right and access to the surface of the land, but must notify and obtain TQM's consent to conduct any activity that could either impact our operational or emergency access to the pipeline right-of-way or facility site, or create unsafe conditions.

Collaboration is one of our core values, and as such we strive to maintain a balance between the practical needs of landowners with our need to ensure the safety of the public, our employees, the environment and the integrity of our pipelines and facilities.

## **2. When should I consult TQM about any plans I might have along or near a right-of-way?**

It is never too early to contact us. In fact, it is in everyone's best interest that consultation occurs early in the planning stage to ensure that TQM's pipelines and facilities are appropriately incorporated into projects. Landowners and developers are required to consult with pipeline operators regarding land use and development within the prescribed area (30m from pipe centerline) as per the National Energy Board's [Damage Prevention Regulations](#).

## **3. What are TQM's priorities around the use of the right-of-way by developers?**

It is imperative TQM is able to maintain unimpeded operational and emergency access to our pipelines and other facilities. TQM allows developers to utilize the right-of-way as passive greenspace. Permanent structures are not allowed on the ROW.

## **4. What if I do not know if my proposed facilities will be on or off of TQM's right-of-way?**

Contact your local Info-Excavation Centre to have all underground utilities as well as the edge of the right-of-way located and marked free of charge.